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SUBJECT: FRG-GOJ JOINT ENERGY COMMISSION

1. IN A COMMUNIQUE TO BE ISSUED AT THE END OF TANAKA VISIT, THE FRG AND GOJ ANNOUNCE THE CREATION OF A JOINT COMMISSION TO DEAL WITH RAW MATERIAL AND ENERGY PROBLEMS. AN INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF THIS PORTION OF THE COMMUNIQUE IS AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE BOTH GOVERNMENT LEADERS EMPHASIZE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF RAW MATERIALS AND ENERGY SUPPLY PROBLEMS IN VIEW OF GROWING WORLD-WIDE DEMAND.

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THEY AGREED TO FORM A JOINT COMMISSION TO EXAMINE THE POSSIBILITIES

OF COOPERATION IN THE AREA OF RAW MATERIALS AND ENERGY SUPPLY. REPRESENTATIVES OF INDUSTRY CAN ALSO BE BROUGHT INTO THE COMMISSION LATER. END QUOTE. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, BRANDT NOTED THAT COMMISSION IS DESIGNED TO HELP GAIN ACCESS TO RAW MATERIALS AND ENERGY SOURCES IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD INCLUDING IN CERTAIN CASES THE SOVIET UNION.

2. BRANDT ALSO ADDRESSED THE PROBLEMS OF RAW MATERIALS AND ENERGY SUPPLY IN HIS REMARKS AT THE DINNER GIVEN IN HONOR OF PREMIER TANAKA ON THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 4. IN THE PUBLISHED TEXT OF THESE REMARKS BRANDT IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT JAPAN AND GERMANY CAN CARRY OUT THEIR BURDENS AND OBLIGATIONS AS DONOR COUNTRIES IF THE ECONOMIC PREREQUISITES EXIST THAT IS IF THE SUPPLY OF RAW MATERIALS IS NOT ENDANGERED. HE GOES ON QUOTE ONE MUST SEEK THE SOLUTION OF THE PRESSING PROBLEMS IN THIS AREA IN ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN SUPPLIER AND CONSUMER COUNTRIES. IT MUST NOT COME TO AN ARBITRARY RAW MATERIAL SHORTAGE. NO COUNTRY CAN PERMIT ITSELF TODAY THE LUXURY OF A POLICY OF LIVING AT THE COST OF OTHERS. END QUOTE.

3. THE PRESS ALSO REPORTS THAT BRANDT AND TANAKA DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF A WORLD-WIDE ENERGY NETWORK IN AN EAST-WEST DIRECTION BETWEEN THE U.S., JAPAN, THE SOVIET UNION AND EUROPE. HILLENBRAND

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